

## CLAIM AMENDMENTS

### 1. (Currently Amended)

~~Elastomeric compounds~~ A highly filled elastomeric composition comprising an elastomeric resin, a filler having a high filler content of 15% to 500% by weight of the resin, and characterized in that they additionally contains 1 to 400% by weight of resin of microsilica as a modifier to improve the processability.

### 2. (Currently Amended)

~~Elastomeric compounds~~ The elastomeric composition according to claim 1, characterized in that they wherein said composition contains 5 to 300% by weight of resin of microsilica.

### 3. (Currently Amended)

~~Elastomeric compounds~~ The elastomeric composition according to claim 2, characterized in that they wherein said composition contains 10 to 150% by weight resin of microsilica.

4. (Currently Amended)

A method for production of a highly filled elastomeric compound elastomeric composition comprising:

forming a highly filled elastomeric composition from an elastomeric resin and a filler, having a high filler content of 15% to 500% by weight of the resin; and characterized in that adding microsilica is added to the highly filled elastomeric compound composition in an amount of 1 to 400% by weight of resin as a modifier to improve processability.

5. (Currently Amended)

The method Method according to claims 4, characterized in that wherein microsilica is added to the highly filled elastomeric compound composition in an amount of 5 to 300% by weight of resin.

6. (Currently Amended)

The method Method according to claims 4, characterized in that wherein microsilica is added to the highly filled elastomeric compound composition in an amount of 10 to 150% by weight of resin.

7. (Currently Amended)

A method of using ~~Use of~~ microsilica as a modifier to improve processability of a highly filled elastomeric compound composition having a filler content of 15% to 500% by weight of resin, comprising a step of adding 1 to 400% by weight of resin of microsilica to said composition.

8. (Currently Amended)

A method of using ~~Use of~~ microsilica as a modifier to increase the limiting oxygen index of a flame-retardant highly filled elastomeric compound composition ~~filled with~~ having a filler content of 5% to 500% by weight of the resin, said filler includes aluminum trihydrate and/or magnesium hydroxide, comprising a step of adding 1 to 400% by weight of resin of microsilica to said composition.